

SAFER, HEALTHIER, BRIGHTER

Even in a pandemic, Children's Services advanced safety, well-being and permanency in 2020.

8,679

Children in Care on Dec. 31, 2020

426

Subsidized Permanent Guardianship youth 138,747

Child Abuse Hotline Calls

781

Extension of Foster Care Youth Served

5,193

Foster Homes

1,204

Adoptions



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Safe Baby Courts

DCS' work with Safe Baby Courts is reshaping lives in 12 counties, using a team-based approach to support families and reduce trauma for children aged 3 or younger.



COVID-19 Response

DCS adapted quickly. It offered services and resources to families whose children were at risk of coming into care. Foster parent recruitment stayed robust, thanks to the quick pivot to digital tools.



Bright Futures

In federal FY 2020, adoptions were up over the previous year. So were subsidized permanent guardianship placements, where DCS supports extended family members to take in children.